APR 6 1993

Ms. Kelly Gage Guilford County Emergency Management P.O. Box 18807 Greensboro, NC 27419

RE: UNDERGROUND HEATING OIL TANK REMOVAL, ST PIUS CHURCH SISTERS' RESIDENCE, 2206 NORTH ELM ST. GREENSBORO, NC.

## INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

On March 19, 1993 personnel from Piedmont Environmental, Inc. contractor, and H&B Petroleum Co. visited the captioned site for the purpose of removing one 550-gallon home heating oil tank. The tank was first installed when the house was built, sometime in 1954. It was removed at the request of the Charlotte Catholic Diocese, because it had been in disuse since January 1984. Since this tank was non-commercial, no notice of intent forms were filed with the State or County prior to removal.

## LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The tank was located at the southwest corner of the sisters' residence, situated at 2206 North Elm St. between the school and the church. it measured 5 1/2 feet long by 4 1/8 feet in diameter. The top of the tank was buried approximately four feet below ground level, necessitating an excavation of approximately 10 feet long, 8 feet wide, and 8 feet deep for removal.

The fill soils in the tank cavity appeared clean with no odor or visual evidence of contamination. The area is apparently a former landfill, because large amounts of household trash, particularly bottles, were found in the excavation.

Two (2) samples were taken from two feet below the base of the tank cavity, 10 feet below grade level, near each end of the tank in what appeared to be native soil. These samples were obtained with a 3-inch bucket auger. The auger was decontaminated with Tri-Sodium Phosphate, de-ionized water and isopropyl alcohol according to state DEHNR guidelines. The samples were collected in new 8-ounce glass jars with teflon lined lids, refrigerated to 4 degrees C. and taaken to Guilford Laboratories, Greensboro, NC for analysis by 3550 and 5030 methods. The laboratory analyses and chain of custody are herewith included with this report.

The cavity was backfilled with the excavated soil and added fresh gravel to bring it back to grade level. the tank was taken to safeway tank disposal. A certificate of disposal is included herewith.

## OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

The extremely high TPH concentrations are hard to explain, especially when the long period of disuse of the tank is considered. At this time the depth and lateral extent of the contaminant plume is unknown. Piedmont Environmental recommends a site assessment consisting of several soil borings in and around the tank cavity to a depth of 15 feet. These borings will be sampled at 10 and 15 feet. It is necessary to define the extent of contamination, because proximity of house and driveway will render excavation difficult.

Respectfully,

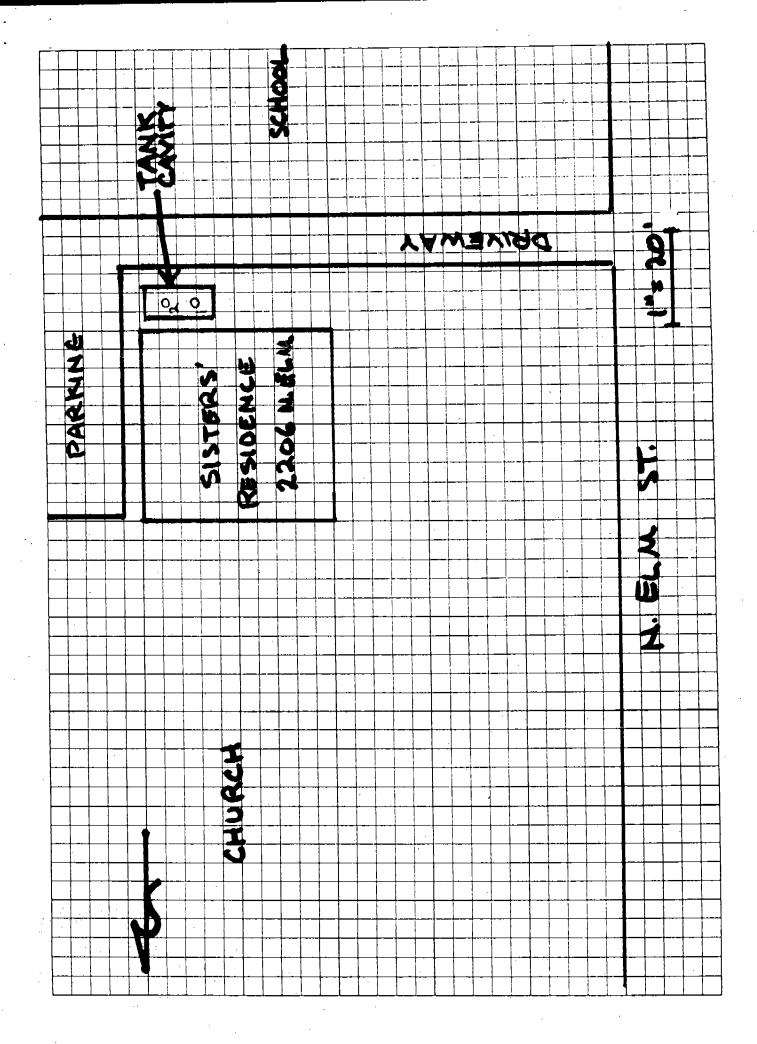
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REPORT OF ANALYSIS

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KANNAPOLIS NC 28081

ATTN:

ALLEN HUBBARD

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